ASKEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SDMC Minutes March 2, 2017

Upcoming Events

See Askew calendar and/or SDMC Agenda

Construction Update

Our new contractor, Drymalla, is currently preparing the site to lay the foundation of the new building. In the next 60-90 days, we will see cement being poured and walls going up. The new building is tentatively scheduled to be completed in April 2018, with a move-in date of August 2018. At this point, the final phase of construction, including the new parking lot and playground, is set to be completed by the 4th quarter of 2018.

Updated Split List/Sub plans

The SDMC discussed ways to make sure teachers plan ahead for any unexpected absences. In case no substitute teacher is available, teachers should have a Split List on file so we can divide the class. A teacher's Substitute Folder should also have at least one full day's worth of activities planned for a sub.

Feedback/Concerns

- **Kinder** asked if information could be added to the Askew Employee Handbook clarifying what items can be requested and which are just for grade chairs. Each PTO request will be reviewed by Askew admin and PTO prior to purchase. Additions to next year's handbook will be reviewed over the summer.
- 1st Grade
 - requested that *co-teacher observations* be offered again this year. It was a positive experience for teacher to be able to see what goes on in other classrooms. Admin will consider that for next school year.
 - proposed that poor student behavior be considered grounds for excluding a student from attending a field trip. The committee discussed alternatives to exclusions including asking the parent to attend and/or assigning a staff member to specific students. SDMC will review plans for *field trip student exclusions* at the April meeting.
 - asked if PLC meetings could be scheduled less frequently and with more teacher input as to the topic. Admin is open to PLC meetings evolving into being purely teacher led in the future.
- **Parents/PTO** would like to thank the Crossing Guard Division for getting Askew a 4th crossing guard. Also, parents suggested an official Askew Parent Handbook to be published for the upcoming school year.

Next Meeting – Thursday, April 6th at 3:30 pm